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**PATENT**

Applicant:	John Piper	Docket No.:	41009.0200
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Title:	ULTRASONIC TESTING OF PIPE	Confirmation No.:	6344

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner For Patents  
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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on March 24, 2009, of which this Reply is filed within the one month shortened statutory period for reply, please consider the following remarks and amendments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.